

STAT 341 - Elizabeth Thompson

Homework 7 Solutions

LM 5.6.1, 5.6.2, 5.6.5, 5.5.2, 5.5.3, 5.5.4

(5.6.1)

$$\prod_{i=1}^n p_X(x_i; p) = \prod_{i=1}^n (1-p)^{x_i-1} p = p^n (1-p)^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n}$$

Let $g(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i; p) = p^n (1-p)^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n}$ and $b(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1$.

Then by Theorem 5.6.1, the statistic $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient.

(5.6.2)

(a) Let $1_{(y_i \geq \theta)}$ denote the indicator function, ie.

$$1_{(y_i \geq \theta)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y_i \geq \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n e^{-(y_i - \theta)} 1_{(y_i \geq \theta)} \\ &= e^{-\sum y_i} e^{n\theta} 1_{(y_{\min} \geq \theta)} \end{aligned}$$

Since $y_i \geq \theta$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ if and only if $y_{\min} \geq \theta$,

$$\prod_{i=1}^n 1_{(y_i \geq \theta)} = 1_{(y_{\min} \geq \theta)}$$

Let $g(y_{\min}; \theta) = e^{n\theta} 1_{(y_{\min} \geq \theta)}$ and $b(y_1, \dots, y_n) = e^{-\sum y_i}$.

Then by Theorem 5.6.1, the statistic Y_{\min} is sufficient.

(b) For Y_{\max} to be sufficient, the likelihood function given y_{\max} must be independent of θ . However, regardless the value of y_{\max} , the likelihood function, shown above, still depends on θ . Thus Y_{\max} is not sufficient.

(5.6.5)

$$\begin{aligned} L(\sigma^2) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} e^{-\frac{y_i^2}{2\sigma^2}} \\ &= \left[(\sigma^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{\sum y_i^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right] [2\pi]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= g(\sum y_i^2; \sigma^2) b(y_1, \dots, y_n) \end{aligned}$$

Thus by Theorem 5.6.1 $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2$ is sufficient.

(5.5.2)

$$\begin{aligned} \ln f_Y(Y; \theta) &= -\ln \theta - Y/\theta \\ \frac{\partial f_Y(Y; \theta)}{\partial \theta} &= -\frac{1}{\theta} + \frac{Y}{\theta^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_Y(Y; \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} &= \frac{1}{\theta^2} - \frac{2Y}{\theta^3} \\ \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 f_Y(Y; \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right] &= \frac{1}{\theta^2} - \frac{2\theta}{\theta^3} = -\frac{1}{\theta^2} \\ \text{CRLB} &= \frac{\theta^2}{n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) = \text{Var}(\bar{Y}) = \frac{\theta^2}{n}$$

Therefore $\hat{\theta}$ achieves the CRLB and is a best estimator.

(5.5.3)

$$\begin{aligned} \ln f_X(X; \lambda) &= -\lambda + X \ln \lambda - \ln X! \\ \frac{\partial f_X(X; \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} &= -1 + X/\lambda \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_X(X; \lambda)}{\partial \lambda^2} &= -X/\lambda^2 \\ \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 f_X(X; \lambda)}{\partial \lambda^2} \right] &= -\lambda/\lambda^2 = -1/\lambda \\ \text{CRLB} &= \lambda/n \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\lambda}) = \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \lambda/n$$

Therefore $\hat{\lambda}$ achieves the CRLB and is an efficient estimator.

(5.5.4)

$$\begin{aligned}\ln f_Y(Y; \mu) &= -\ln \sqrt{2\pi\sigma} - \frac{(Y - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} \\ \frac{\partial f_Y(Y; \mu)}{\partial \mu} &= \frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 f_Y(Y; \mu)}{\partial \mu^2} &= -1/\sigma^2 \\ \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 f_Y(Y; \mu)}{\partial \mu^2} \right] &= -1/\sigma^2 \\ \text{CRLB} &= \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\mu}) = \text{Var}(\bar{Y}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

Therefore $\hat{\mu}$ achieves the CRLB and is an efficient estimator.